

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **LI, Lanna** Examiner: **OH, Taylor V**
Serial No.: **10/519,376** Group Art Unit: **1625**
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For: Ortho-substituted benzoic acid derivatives for the treatment of insulin
resistance

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Office has restricted claims 1-11 into two groups: Group I containing claims 1-5 and 8-9, drawn to compounds and compositions; and Group II containing claims 6-7 and 10-11, drawn to methods of treatment. **Applicants hereby elect Group I containing claims 1-5 and 8-9 “drawn to . . . compound[s] of formula (I) and [their] pharmaceutical compositions,” without traverse.** Further, Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of the non-elected claims in another application.

Early allowance of all pending claims is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at (215) 981-4142 if there are any questions regarding Applicant's claimed invention.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit any fee due or credit any overpayment to deposit account 50-0436.

Respectfully submitted,

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